GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:7843
ANSWERED ON:17.05.2002
SPICES BOARD
C. KRISHNAN

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the main functions of the Spices Board along with the names and other particulars of the members of the Board and the date on which it was last reconstituted;

(b) the date on which its term would come to an end;

(c) whether cardamom planters/farmers have brought to the notice of the concerned about the illegal deductions from the payment to farmers from the auction amount dues being paid by Spices Board at its auction centre Vandanmedu, Kerala

(d) if so, the nature of the complaint/allegations against the Board and its members;

(e) whether any enquiry/probe has been ordered; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY)

a)& b): The main functions of the Spices Board include export development of all the spices listed in the Schedule of Spices Board Act, 1986 and over all development of Cardamom (Small and Large).Spices Board was last re-constituted on 16th April, 1999 for a period of 3 years. The term of the Board has come to an end on 15th April, 2002. The names and other particulars of the members of last Board excluding the official members are annexed.

c) to f): Spices Board, on receipt of representations, have issued instructions to all auctioneers not to collect such contributions from unwilling growers failing which suitable action would be initiated in terms of the existing rules and regulations.

ANNEXURE

1. Chairman, Spices Board Chairman

2. Shri Ashok Argal, M.P, Lok Sabha Member

3. Shri K. Muraleedharan, M.P, Lok Sabha Member

4. Shri S. Agniraj, MP, Rajya Sabha Member

5. Director, Incharge of Export Promotion(Agriculture) Official Member
Division, Department of Commerce
6. Horticulture Commissioner Official Member
Ministry of Agriculture, New Delhi

7 Director, Finance Division, Deptt of Commerce Official Member

8. Shri B.K.Chandrashekar, Bangalore Grower

9. Shri N. Murugesan, Tamil Nadu Grower
10. Shri C. Gopinath, Karnataka Grower
11. Shri P.C.Mathew, Kerala Grower
12. Shri D. Eshwar Rao, Andhra Pradesh Grower
13. Shri C.N.Natraj, Bangalore Grower

14. Shri Shankar Gouda Patil, Karnataka Grower
15. Shri R.K.Menon, Tata Tea Limited, Cochin Exporter
16. Shri S. P. G. R. Nithyanandan ,
SPGR Nadar & Sons, Tamil Nadu Exporter
17. Dr. A.G.Mathew, Plants Lipid Ltd., Kerala Exporter
18. Shri S. Mariwala, Kancor Flavours Ltd., Kerala Exporter
19. Shri A.P. Murugan, Paprika Oleoresins (India) Ltd.
Tamil Nadu Exporter
20. Shri. M.S.A. Kumar, AVT McCormick Exporter
Ingredients Ltd., Cochin
21. Shri Chandan Jain, Sukanraj Dhanraj & Sons, Mumbai Exporter
22. Shri Ravinder Kumar, MM Punjiaji & Co., Mumbai Exporter
23. Shri. Kishor Shamji, Kishore Spice Co., Kerala Exporter
24. Shri Rakesh A. Patel, Ramdev Exports, Ahmedabad Exporter
25. Secretary to the Government of Karnataka, Official Member
Agriculture & Horticulture Department, Bangalore
26.Secretary to the Govt. of Maharashtra, Official Member
Agriculture, Animal Husbandary Development
& Fisheries Department, Mumbai
27.Principal Secretary to the Govt. of Gujarat, Official Member
Department of Agriculture & Cooperation, Gandhinagar
28. Director (Agriculture) Planning Commission, New Delhi Official Member
29. Director, Indian Institute of Packaging, Mumbai Official Member
30. Director, Central Food Technological Research Official Member
Institute, Mysore.
31. Director,National Research Centre for Spices, Calicut. Official Member